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FATAL BLAST AT OIL WELL IS LAID TO OVERHEATING CAUSED BY EXCESSIVELY HIGH SPEED

E. F. Houser, who was injured when a drum exploded at the Petroleum Midway's Stock Community No. 3 last Friday, died later in the Angeles hospital, Los Angeles.

Investigation as to the cause of the accident has established the fact that the drum which exploded was not defective. The broken pieces displayed no signs of a flaw of any nature. Eye witnesses of the accident assert that the driller was running drill pipe into the hole at a rapid speed. About 1600 feet had been dropped into the hole when the big drum exploded.

Members of drill crews on neighboring rigs assert that the 1600 feet was literally dropped into the hole, necessitating excessive use of the brakes, which caused the drum to overheat.

Persons who ran to the rig right after the explosion assert that the fragments of the drum were intensely hot.

OBSERVATIONS

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HARRY SINCLAIR'S attorney is Martin W. Littleton, reputed to be the most talented criminal lawyer in the United States. It was Littleton who convinced a jury that Harry K. Thaw was insane, thus saving the murderer of Stanford White from the electric chair. It strikes one as singular that Sinclair should be represented not by corporation counsel but by a criminal attorney.

THAT the United States has lost prestige in Cuba on account of the revelations of graft in Washington is the statement of Representative Britton of Illinois. American suggestions for reform in Cuba are met with cartoons showing Uncle Sam smeared with oil and captioned "Clean up your own house first." The advice is good, but the spirit which prompts it is born of little thought.

The investigations themselves prove that we ARE cleaning our own house first. And in the knowledge that this is true lies the only light of hope that shines out of the whole Washington mess.

Revelations of graft have a purifying effect on politics. Out of the oil investigation will emerge a better statesmanship. It were better to whitewash it and allow it to grow and fester.

The oil investigation proves that the American republic will not stand for dishonesty among its public officials. So while most of us view the revelations with just horror, we can and do rejoice that good will result from them.

APPARENTLY nothing is sacred to some newspapers. On the first page of the second section of a Los Angeles daily paper appear three pictures of young women. In bold type it is announced blatantly to the world that each is about to become a mother. The fact that two of them are movie stars and the third the wife of a man prominent in private life which should be revered as sacred and guarded against the intrusions of yellow journalism. If the movie stars permitted the publication for publicity purposes, then they share the blame of the newspaper.

HARRY SINCLAIR declares that Archie Roosevelt was a failure as an employe of the Sinclair Oil company. To those who revere the name of Archie's illustrious father, that is good news. In view of the methods by which Sinclair operated with the government, the branding of young Roosevelt as a failure really labels him a grand and glorious success.

"IN THE GREASE"

Notes Gleaned While the Oil Editor Bumps Around Proven Territory

The Superior Oil company is running oil string in Torrance No. 18 on the Joughlin lease. No. 19 is also nearing the production stage.

Standard's Torrance No. 13 in the Torrance Industrial tract, plugged back to 3880 feet, has been swabbed for several days, but will not flow. The company plans to bring the well in on the pump, if possible.

The Mohawk Oil company's well in Torrance Industrial tract, near Superior's No. 13, is wet. The hole was drilled to 3858 feet, but it is thought the water is coming through a leak instead of from the bottom.

The Shell Oil company failed to get a shutoff with its high cement test on Kettler No. 5. The well was cemented off at 2482 feet, but was wet. It will be recemented at the same level.

March 5 of the Shell company has been spudded in.

The Santa Fe is preparing to put Kettler Nos. 5 and 6 on the pump. Swabbing failed to bring either well to the flowing stage.

Eyes of operators are on Petroleum Midway's wildcat, Lewis No. 1, which is drilling through cement. The well was cemented at around 4500 feet.

The Southland Petroleum corporation is preparing to land casing in its Winship No. 1, at 3510 feet. This is higher than the same company set casing in Oakley No. 1. And Winship is north and east of Oakley. Considerable interest has attached itself to the operations of this company in the far eastern extension.

The field is now producing about 40,000 barrels a day. With a score more wells close to production in the east and southwest sections of the field the 50,000-barrel mark should be reached soon.

TORRANCE MASONS ANNOUNCE PUBLIC SCHOOL NIGHT PROGRAM

A splendid program has been arranged by the Torrance lodge of Masons for Public School Night, Friday, March 28. Rev. Thomas Grice of San Pedro will deliver the principal address. O. W. Thistle, worshipful master of Torrance lodge, will speak. The program includes a song by Torrance school children and music by the Torrance high school orchestra.

NEW AETNA AGENT INVITED TO FETE

T. F. Foley announces that he has taken over the agency of the Aetna Insurance company for Torrance. The agency includes the complete Aetna line of insurance.

Mr. Foley states that he will be glad to adjust any matters connected with this agency in the past, and promises the best of attention in the future. The new agency has offices with the Torrance Investment company in the Dominguez Land Company building.

An oil sand has been encountered by the Standard Oil company in Kettler No. 1 at 3904 feet. The hole is now 3912 feet deep and the company will try for production without drilling on down, it is reported.

Standard's Interstate No. 1 will be flowing soon. The bit was down 3882 feet yesterday.

Torrance Community No. 4 of the Standard Oil company made water when put on a pump test Sunday. The hole is 3654 feet deep.

Standard's Fee No. 2, which was flowing into the sump last Friday at a 200-barrel rate, has been turned into the tanks and is producing about 725 barrels a day of 26 gravity oil.

Standard's Marble Lease No. 3 will be in soon. The hole is 3810 feet deep.

The Petroleum Securities company's operations will increase the field's production considerably in a few days. No. 12 is standing cemented at 3337 feet. No. 15 is being washed out, preparatory to swabbing for production. It was drilled to 3795 feet. No. 19 is being bailed for a shutoff test.

Chancellor Canfield is running oil string in Torrance 36. The company received O. Ks on the cement jobs in Torrance 37, 29 and 41 Sunday and Monday. All these wells are on the old Redondo road, near the Marble property of Petroleum Securities and Standard.

Shell is drilling Kettler No. 2 ahead at 3896 feet. Casing was landed in this hole at 3550 feet.

Hackworth and Bruin are swabbing their well on the McGovern lease, Acacia and Narbonne.

The Van Allen No. 4 at Palm and Narbonne is being swabbed. The hole was drilled to 3775 feet.

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Who stole the Ford truck? Harry Paige of the Paige grocery pocketed the keys out of one truck that he thought was his own. The driver for the McFarland Ice company jumped into another truck that looked like his and drove away. Anyway, Paige called up everybody in town, including the police, about his truck, and was very much relieved when he found it resting peacefully in the garage at home. The McFarland truck did not receive shelter, and stood out in front of the grocery store on El Prado street all night. Nobody was hurt.

County Assessor Is Working Here

He is here, folks—the county assessor. He is fixing assessments and wants you to help the work along. He will appreciate it if residents will have at hand descriptions of property they own and automobile license num-

bers. His name is J. Montclair Brown and seems like a mighty pleasant sort of an assessor.

A GOOD REASON

A man strolling alongside a canal observed an old negro and a colored boy fishing. A moment later a splash was heard. The boy had fallen into the water. The old darky, however, jumped in after the lad, and succeeded in getting him safely to the bank. There he stood the victim on his head to let the water drain out, and it was at this moment that the gentleman arrived on the scene with profuse expressions of admiration for the prompt rescue.

"It was noble of you," the gentleman declared rather rhetorically, "to plunge into the water in that way at the risk of your life to save the boy. I congratulate you on your brave display of heroic magnanimity."

The old colored man answered, with an amiable grin: "All right, boss. Ah doan' know nuffin 'bout magn'minity. But Ah jess had to git dat boy out de water. He had de bait in his pocket."

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